


together in a single combination. The Examiner has also found that the inventions are distinct because they are separately usable. The Examiner has found that the invention of Group I has separate utility such that the gas turbo machine/compressor can be used for any mechanical rotating machine such as a water pump and the invention of Group II has separate utility such that the rotor for a generator can be used in any electrical machinery such as a generator or motor. The Examiner has further found that these inventions have acquired a separate status in the art because of their different classification, and therefore restriction for examination purposes is proper. Applicant respectfully traverses the restriction requirement.

As to the invention of Group I, this invention is directed to a gas turbomachinery electricity generation apparatus. The invention is specifically used as a high speed gas turbine electric generator. Applicant submits that the invention cannot be used for any mechanical rotating machine such as a water pump and the Examiner has not presented any evidence to support his position. Applicant respectfully submits that the apparatus includes the rotor of claims 35 through 44 as claimed. The invention of Group II claims a rotor of an electric generator or motor that is used for the invention of claims 1 through 34. The inventions of Group I and II are related and could all be searched in one search. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that the restriction requirement is improper and should be withdrawn.

Applicant provisionally elects to prosecute the invention of Group I, claims 1 through 34, drawn to the invention of a gas turbomachinery generator.

Based on the above, it is submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance, which allowance is solicited.

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